

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please **cancel** claims 2, 8 and 10 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please **add** new claim 20 and **amend** claims 1, 3, 11 and 13-19 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A headlamp for a motor vehicle, comprising a housing enclosing a light source, fixed on a chassis, which comprises means for connecting the housing to the chassis, these means being deformable in a plastic way and capable of absorbing at least part of the energy of an impact on the headlamp, wherein the connection means operate by one of traction.

2. (Canceled).

3. (Currently Amended) The headlamp as claimed in claim [[2]] 1, wherein the connecting means comprise at least one lug for fixing the housing to the chassis, this lug being capable of stretching under the effect of an impact on the headlamp.

4. (Original) The headlamp as claimed in claim 3, wherein the lug comprises a perforated body extended at one end by a front part fixed to the chassis, and at the other end by a rear part fixed to the housing, the body being capable of stretching under the effect of traction exerted on at least one of said parts.

5. (Original) The headlamp as claimed in claim 3, wherein the lug comprises a body, perforated or unperforated, having at least one local contraction of the cross section.

6. (Original) The headlamp as claimed in claim 4, wherein the perforations of the body are rectangular, square, of any polygonal or hexagonal shape, or diamond - shaped, or possibly circular or oval.

7. (Original) The headlamp as claimed in claim 3, wherein the fixing lug has a corrugated central portion extended at one end by a front part fixed to the chassis, and at the

other end by a front part fixed to the housing, the central portion being capable of stretching under the effect of traction exerted on at least one of said parts.

8. (Canceled).

9. (Original) The headlamp as claimed in claim 6, wherein the connecting means comprise a lug for fixing the housing to the chassis, this lug having a U-shaped profile and comprising two approximately parallel branches, one fixed to the housing and one to the chassis, linked by a curved portion, the lug being deformable by the displacement of the curved portion under the effect of an impact on the headlamp.

10. (Canceled).

11. (Currently Amended) ~~The headlamp as claimed in claim 8,~~ A headlamp for a motor vehicle, comprising:

a housing enclosing a light source, fixed on a chassis, which comprises means for connecting the housing to the chassis, these means being deformable in a plastic way and capable of absorbing at least part of the energy of an impact on the headlamp wherein the connecting means can operate by bending;

wherein the connecting means comprise a lug for fixing the housing to the chassis, this lug being compressible under the effect of an impact on the headlamp.

12. (Original) The headlamp as claimed in claim 9, wherein the fixing lug has a corrugated central portion extended at one end by a front part fixed to the housing, and at the other end by a rear part fixed to the chassis, the central portion being compressible under the effect of an impact on the headlamp.

13. (Currently Amended) The headlamp as claimed in claim ~~[[8]]~~ 11, wherein the connecting means comprise a spacer interposed between the housing and the chassis.

14. (Currently Amended) The headlamp as claimed in claim ~~[[11]]~~ 20, wherein the spacer is made from a compressible material.

15. (Currently Amended) The headlamp as claimed in claim ~~[[12]]~~ 20, wherein the spacer is made from a foam.

16. (Currently Amended) The headlamp as claimed in claim ~~[[11]]~~ 20, wherein the spacer comprises a cylindrical barrel having a first end pressed against the chassis and its opposite end extended in the form of a curved head by means of which the spacer presses against the housing.

17. (Currently Amended) The headlamp as claimed in claim ~~[[11]]~~ 20, wherein the spacer is a functional component of the vehicle.

18. (Currently Amended) The headlamp as claimed in claim ~~[[15]]~~ 20, wherein the spacer is an air filter.

19. (Currently Amended) The headlamp as claimed in claim ~~[[15]]~~ 20, wherein the spacer is a windscreen washer reservoir.

---20. (New) A headlamp for a motor vehicle, comprising a housing enclosing a light source, fixed on a chassis, which comprises means for connecting the housing to the chassis, these means being deformable in a plastic way and capable of absorbing at least part of the energy of an impact on the headlamp, wherein the connecting means can operate by bending and wherein the connecting means comprise a spacer interposed between the housing and the chassis.---